

# Spot and Spike

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"You are such a boring, ordinary circle," said Spike to Spot, as he bit into the cake. "Look at me. I’m strong, sharp and poky. I can make you cry!"



"Eeeeeee! Spikes!" shrieked Spot.
"Yes, aren't I scary?" said Spike.
"Not you! Look there. S… S… Spikier… stronger… sharper… pokier… teeth… shark swimming this way!"



"Shark?" yelped Spike, looking out into the sea.
Spot quickly pulled out her red gel tube. "Hee hee. Boring spots coming up," sniggered Spot.



"Huh? Where’s the shark?" said Spike.

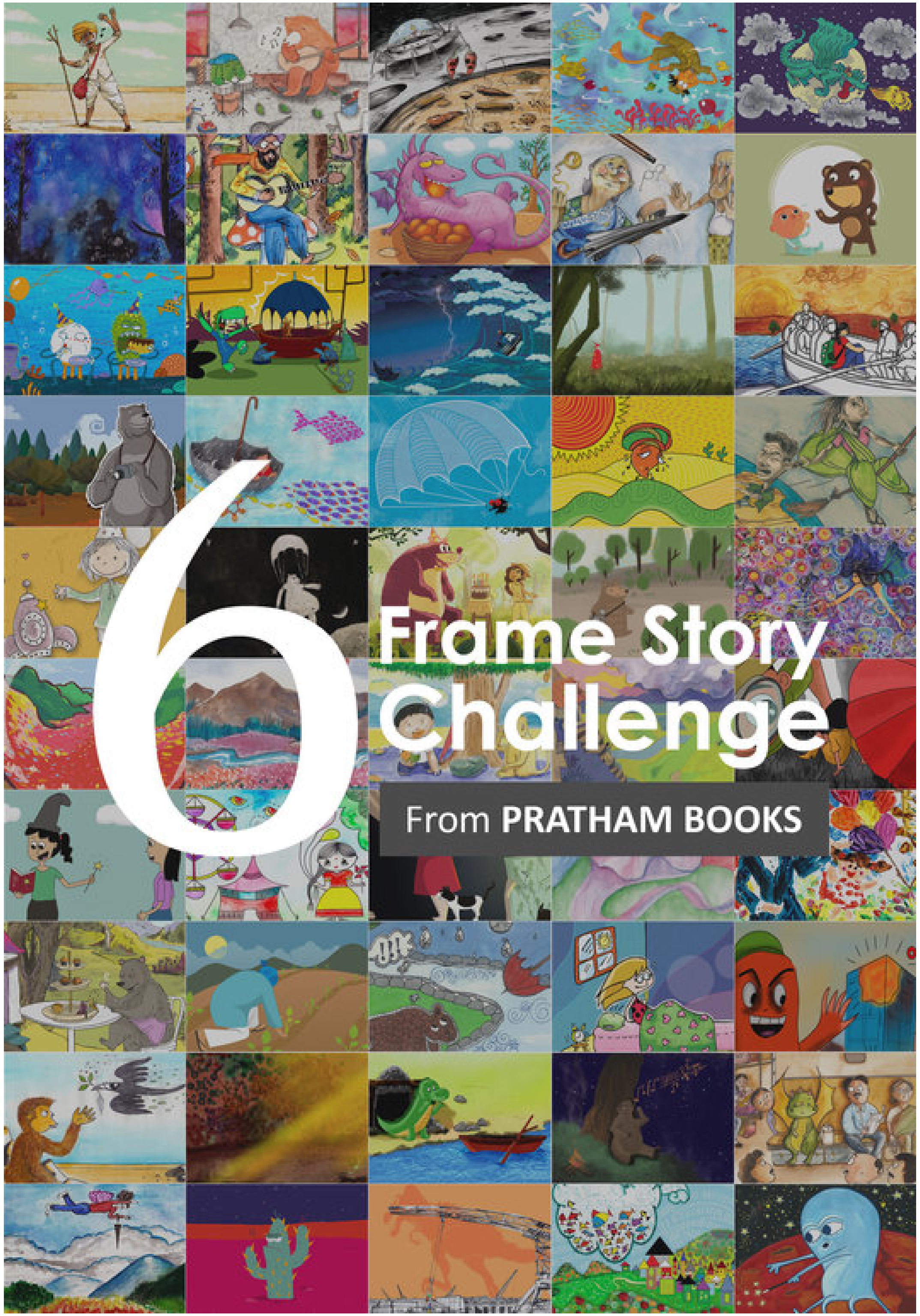


Spike picked up his cake to take another bite. "Eeeeeee! Spots!" he shrieked.

"Yes, aren’t they boring? Probably just harmless chicken pox spots," said Spot.



"Boring! Harmless! What’s harmless about spots? Blech!" screamed Spike. "Spots are scary!"




## #6FrameStoryChallenge: A Carnival of Art

The illustrations in this book were created as part of the #6FrameStoryChallenge, an online campaign run by Pratham Books to build a rich bank of illustrations for StoryWeaver. The essence of the #6FrameStoryChallenge was to tell a good story using just 6 illustrations.

The campaign inspired nearly 70 illustrators to donate their time and skills to India's first open-source story-publishing platform for children.
What started out as an experimental campaign soon blossomed into a carnival of art, birthing nearly 500 new illustrations.

These wordless narratives cut across language barriers, opening up a world of possibilities, encouraging StoryWeaver's growing community to dream up multiple stories around these images. The #6FrameStoryChallenge is a powerful reminder of the need for collaboration, to get closer to our mission: "A Book in Every Child's Hand."

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(English)

Meet Spot and Spike. Spike thinks Spot is boring and ordinary. Little does he know about Spot's clever little plan.

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.